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Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts



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Key findings for the Southern Region:

Avocados: Florida's utilized production for 2021 totaled 14,220 tons, down 17 percent from 2020 while its associated value of production was down 3 percent to \$13.4 million. Wind damage and laurel wilt disease were primary contributors to lower avocado production in 2021.

Blueberries: Georgia's utilized production, at 82.4 million pounds was up 19 percent from 2020. The value of utilized production was up 4 percent from 2020 to \$104 million. Utilized production of blueberries in Florida for 2021 was up 27 percent to 25.6 million pounds, while value of production increased 50 percent to \$77.7 million.

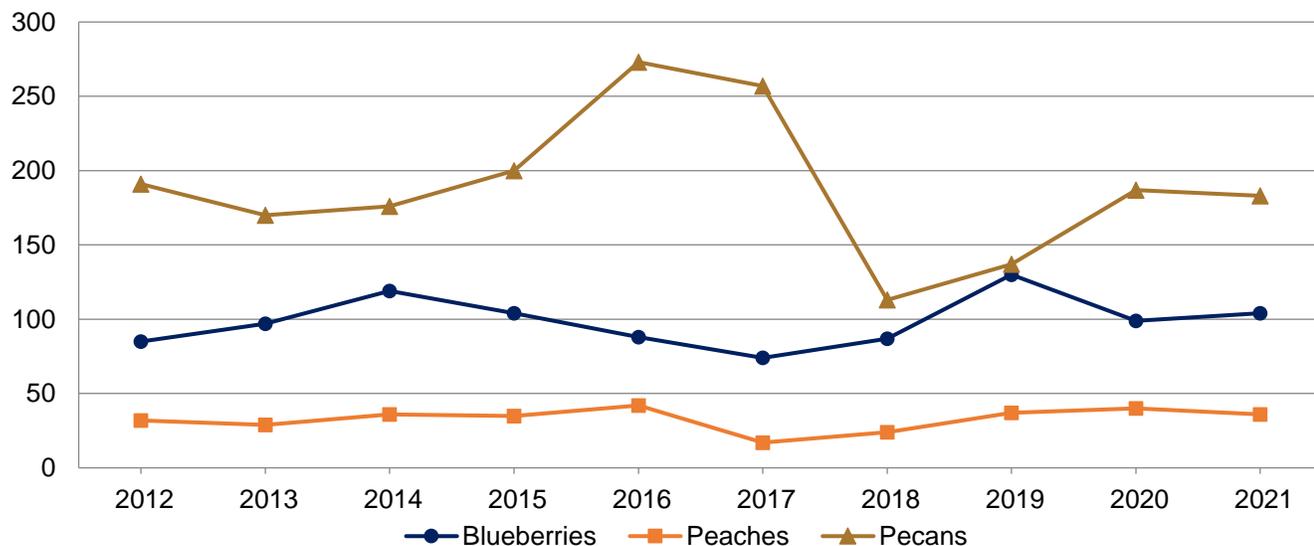
Peaches: Adequate chill hours in 2021 allowed both Georgia and South Carolina peach producers to realize increases in yield from 2020. In Georgia, utilized peach production was down 3 percent to 28,770 tons while value of production decreased 12 percent from 2020 to \$35.6 million. South Carolina utilized production for 2021 was up 8 percent to 72,630 tons and its associated value of production increased 5 percent to \$106 million. The South Carolina peach yield of 5.46 tons per acre for 2021 was the highest realized since 2011.

Pecans: Utilized production of pecans in Georgia for 2021 was down 40 percent to 88.6 million pounds. Georgia's pecan production accounted for 35 percent of the Nation's total production. Frequent rains and cloud cover during the nut fill stage contributed to the lower production for 2021. Despite the considerable decrease in production, value of production was down just 3 percent from 2020 to \$183 million.

Strawberries: Florida's utilized production of strawberries in 2021 totaled 250 million pounds, down 13 percent from 2020. The value of utilized production in 2021 was up slightly from 2020 at \$399 million.

Value of Utilized Production – Georgia Pecans and Select Fruits: 2012-2021

Million dollars



Pecan Bearing Acreage, Yield, Production, and Value by Crop – States and United States: 2020 and 2021

State	Bearing acres		Yield per acre ¹		Utilized Production		Price per pound		Value of utilized production	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(acres)	(acres)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Georgia	134,000	138,000	1,100	642	147,500	88,600	1.270	2.060	187,325	182,516
United States	408,000	410,000	745	623	304,050	255,300	1.420	2.160	433,220	550,988

¹ Yield is based on utilized production.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2021 Summary](#), May 2022

Cultivated Blueberry and Strawberry Area Harvested, Yield, Production, and Value of Production – States and United States: 2020 and 2021

Item and State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production				Value of utilized production	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	Total		Utilized		2020	2021
					2020	2021	2020	2021		
	(acres)	(acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Blueberries....(pounds)										
Florida	5,300	5,700	3,980	4,650	21,100	26,500	20,170	25,630	51,616	77,670
Georgia	17,800	20,600	4,170	4,200	74,200	86,500	69,080	82,350	99,271	103,703
United States.....	96,200	99,400	6,740	6,730	648,200	669,100	637,460	660,140	903,786	1,020,017
Strawberries.....(cwt)										
Florida	9,900	10,400	290.0	240.0	2,870.0	2,500.0	2,860.0	2,500.0	397,790	399,010
United States.....	46,500	49,400	574.0	540.0	26,670.0	26,700.0	26,610.0	26,650.0	2,609,220	3,422,240

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Fruit Bearing Acreage, Yield, Production, and Value by Crop – States and United States: 2020 and 2021

Item and State	Bearing acres		Yield per acre ¹		Production				Value of utilized production	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	Total		Utilized		2020	2021
					2020	2021	2020	2021		
	(acres)	(acres)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Avocados										
Florida	4,600	4,400	3.80	3.33	17,500	14,650	17,170	14,220	13,726	13,350
United States.....	52,720	51,840	3.92	2.91	206,610	150,740	205,610	149,600	426,632	341,936
Peaches										
Georgia	8,800	8,200	3.80	4.30	33,400	35,300	29,760	28,770	40,450	35,629
South Carolina	15,000	16,000	5.10	5.46	76,500	87,400	67,330	72,630	101,189	106,151
United States.....	76,000	74,400	8.59	9.26	652,760	688,770	637,330	661,890	579,963	624,366

¹ Yield is based on total production.

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